

Appl. no. **TBD**
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Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in this application:

Listing of Claims

Claims 1-18 (canceled)

Claim 19 (new): A method of making a heat-weldable roofing membrane comprising joining at least two sheets of thermoplastic polyolefin panels with an extruded strip comprising thermoplastic elastomer so as to form said roofing membrane.

Claim 20 (new): The method of claim 19 wherein said extruded strip is bonded to said sheets by means of heat.

Claim 21 (new): The method of claim 19 wherein said extruded strip is bonded to said sheets by means of pressure.

Claim 22 (new): The method of claim 19 wherein said extruded strip is bonded to said sheets by means of pressure and heat.

Claim 23 (new): The method of claim 19 wherein said extruded strip is bonded to each of said thermoplastic olefin panels on the top surfaces thereof.

Claim 24 (new): The method of claim 19 wherein said extruded strip is bonded to a top surface of one thermoplastic polyolefin panel and a bottom surface of another thermoplastic polyolefin panel.

Claim 25 (new): The method of claim 19 wherein said extruded strip is bonded to adjoining edges of said thermoplastic polyolefin panels.

Claim 26 (new): The method of claim 19 wherein said thermoplastic olefin panels are at least 4 feet wide prior to being joined by said extruded strip.

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Claim 27 (new): The method of claim 19 wherein said thermoplastic olefin panels comprise at least one of EPDM and ethylene-propylene rubber blended with polypropylene.

Claim 28 (new): The method of claim 19 wherein said thermoplastic olefin panels have a thickness of at least 0.04 inches.